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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**INDIANAPOLIS COCAINE TRAFFICKER
SENTENCED TO OVER 12 YEARS FOR
DRUG AND FIREARMS OFFENSES**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that OMAR ACOSTA, 24, of Indianapolis, Indiana, was sentenced to 147 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Chief Judge Larry J. McKinney following his plea of guilty to Possession with Intent to Distribute 500 Grams Or More Of Cocaine and Possession of A Firearm In Relation To A Drug Trafficking Crime.

These charges arise out of joint investigation conducted by the Indianapolis Division of the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Metropolitan Drug Task Force, and the Indianapolis Police Department.

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ACOSTA was arrested on July 18, 2003 after a month long undercover operation revealed that ACOSTA was selling kilogram amounts of cocaine in the Indianapolis area. At the time of his arrest ACOSTA was in possession of over one kilogram of cocaine and was armed with a .40 caliber semi automatic handgun in his waistband.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Barry D. Glickman, who prosecuted the case for the government, Chief Judge McKinney also imposed 4 years supervised release following ACOSTA'S release from imprisonment.

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